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Applicant: Ikuo ARATA, et al.

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For Solid Immersion Lens and Sample Observation Method Using It

DECLARATION AND VERIFIED TRANSLATION

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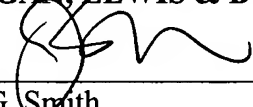
SUBMISSION OF REPLACEMENT DRAWINGS

Filed herewith are twelve (12) replacement sheets of drawings containing Figures 1-12. These replacement sheets of drawings are submitted to improve the form of the drawings. It is requested that these drawings be approved and made part of the official record in the above-identified patent application.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of these drawings, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

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